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Letter dated 24 October 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith information bulletins from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic for the period 21–24 October 2017 (see annex).

I should be grateful if the present letter and its annex could be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) V. **Nebenzia**

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Annex to the letter dated 24 October 2017 from the Permanent Representative of the Russian Federation to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (21 October 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported five incidents of gunfire in the following governorates: three in Aleppo, one in Damascus and one in Homs.

The Turkish representative office has reported two violations: one in Homs Governorate and one in Ladhiqiyah Governorate.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusrah Front and Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian operation: the delivery of 2.3 tons of food products to the local population of Nasriyah in Damascus Governorate.

In total, 1,653 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,248.8 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 90 residents.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 60,712 residents.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, one ceasefire agreement has been signed with Kafr Nan in Homs Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,256.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime have continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah Governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (22 October 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported five incidents of gunfire in the following governorates: three in Aleppo, one in Damascus and one in Dar'a.

The Turkish representative office has not reported any violations.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusrah Front and ISIL.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out two humanitarian operations: the delivery of 1.7 tons to the local population of Zubaydah in Aleppo Governorate; and the delivery of 5 tons of food products to the local population of Jaba in Qunaytirah Governorate.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo was 6.7 tons.

In total, 1,655 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,254.5 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, Russian military paramedics have provided medical assistance to 354 persons.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 61,066 residents.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, no ceasefire agreements have been signed.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,256.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime have continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah Governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (23 October 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported 10 incidents of gunfire in the following governorates: 4 in Damascus, 2 in Aleppo, 2 in Homs, 1 in Hama and 1 in Ladhiqiyah.

The Turkish representative office has reported five violations: four in Idlib Governorate and one in Damascus Governorate.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusrah Front and ISIL.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has carried out one humanitarian medical operation to Aleppo City in Aleppo Governorate.

In total, 1,656 humanitarian operations have been carried out.

The total weight of humanitarian cargo delivered is 2,254.5 tons.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 187 residents.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 61,253 residents.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, two ceasefire agreements have been signed with Shir in Hama Governorate and Banah in Idlib Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,258.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime have continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah Governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.

Information bulletin from the Russian Federation Ministry of Defence regarding the status of implementation of the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas (24 October 2017)

Observance of the ceasefire regime

Monitoring groups have continued to monitor observance of the ceasefire regime as part of implementing the memorandum on the creation of de-escalation areas in the Syrian Arab Republic, signed by the Russian Federation, the Republic of Turkey and the Islamic Republic of Iran on 4 May 2017.

The situation in the de-escalation areas has been assessed as stable.

The Russian representative office of the Russian and Turkish Joint Commission reviewing issues related to violations of the ceasefire regime has reported 11 incidents of gunfire in the following governorates: 6 in Aleppo, 3 in Damascus, 1 in Dar'a and 1 in Homs.

The Turkish representative office has reported four violations in the following governorates: one in Aleppo, one in Damascus, one in Dar'a and one in Hama.

Most of the incidents of small arms being fired indiscriminately have been reported in areas controlled by fighters of the terrorist groups Nusrah Front and ISIL.

Provision of humanitarian aid to the population of the Syrian Arab Republic

Over the past 24 hours, the Centre for Reconciliation of Opposing Sides in the Syrian Arab Republic has not carried out any humanitarian operations.

Over the past 24 hours, medical assistance has been provided to 85 residents.

In total, medical assistance has been provided to 61,338 residents.

Reconciliation of opposing sides

Over the past 24 hours, one ceasefire agreement has been signed with Izz al-Din in Homs Governorate.

The number of populated areas that have joined the reconciliation process has increased to 2,259.

Negotiations on joining the ceasefire regime have continued with armed opposition groups in Aleppo, Damascus, Hama, Homs and Qunaytirah Governorates.

The number of armed groups that have announced their commitment to accepting and fulfilling the terms of the ceasefire is unchanged — it is still 234.